PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q75938

Takeyasu KANEKO

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Examiner: Russell D. STORMER (parent)

BEARING UNIT FOR WHEEL AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. 09/789,846 filed February 22, 2001; the

disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.